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THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Events of Interest From Washington.

By J. E. Jones.

HOW CIVILIZATION SNEERS.

Less than a hundred years ago, in fact since "a father was a boy," there was an irritating feeling that Europe and the old world poked fun at the United States and its people. Sliding down the pole of time the main interest of the people of what was formerly termed the "elite east" in the people of the Mississippi Valley related to their escapades with the Indians, and everyone west of Ohio was supposed to wear a blanket of brilliant hue. The eastern impression was that the people on the western plains and across the Rocky Mountains were mostly cowboys, except those who were cattle thieves, and old Judge Lynch was the best known character in the entire "woolly." But nowadays little Willie is gaining a different idea of American civilization, and he knows that wherever the stars and stripes are hung, that it is in a nice place, and that the people and their customs are much the same; therefore Boston, St. Louis, Denver, Butte or Berkley sounds like freedom, civilization, good breeding and home, sweet home to young America, no matter whether he be the child of an unemployed beggar in New York or an overpaid Congressman in Washington, D. C.

SOUTH AMERICA BECOMES THE GOAT.
Among the "self-made" millionaires of the United States may be found some of the most intolerable snobs and unyielding autocrats that inhabit the face of the earth. One would think they ought to know better since they started "at the bottom." But why expect such results, when we use a "self-made nation" are today poking the same sort of contemptuous scorn at South America from which we so long suffered. Gradually it is beginning to percolate through the thick skulls of some of the best thinkers in American state craft that South America diplomacy is of the top notch variety! Our southern nations have been appointing as Foreign Ministers and Ambassadors trained international jurists, and in the clash of brains they are proving themselves too strong and masterful for the politicians, authors, lawyers, lecturers and novelists who are in charge of the hit and miss foreign policy of the United States and some other countries. South America is doing things for herself, and smirking kind which has looked upon it with scorn, is beginning to sit up and take notice.

THE LONELY MONROE DOCTRINE.
The big brother nations have long entertained the notion that it was the duty to look after their weaker kin, Austria recently enforced this viewpoint with reference to Serbia, and see what happened. Now perhaps by this time none except the historians would have known that a man named Monroe was at one time President, had he not promulgated a "doctrine." The United States has had its troubles with this "doctrine," and the sort of protection it has prescribed for our neighbors at the south was not always satisfactory to them. South America has been forewarning revolutions just as we have forewarning "fighting the Indians." The A. B. C. meddlers from the South have done the best work toward restoring normal conditions in Mexico, that has come from any source. Diplomats are not inclined to treat lightly the proposals of the South American diplomats for a Congress of the neutral nations in the interests of peace, even if some part of the public treats the suggestion slightly.

SUBSTITUTING BRAINS FOR BLUFF.

South American diplomacy is perhaps farther away from the dictatorial and the artful juggling of "polito diplomacy" than any of the rest of the world. The South Americans have been appointing their best trained men to handle foreign affairs, and they have sought out "the international mind," and have replaced brains for bluff. South America, like North America, is in the process of vindicating itself. It has gotten a good ways along. After while the world will be taking its hat off to our progressive neighbors of South America.

BEYAN BELIEVES IN BOOSTERS.

Walter Vick was one of the chief boosters of the Wilson campaign, and was placed in charge of the pie count-

ALUMNI SOCIAL CLUB

A Summary of Seven Month's Work

By J. E. Jones.

MAINE LEGISLATURE

Introduction of Bills the Principal Business

The first autumn mornings when the Academy bell rings its welcome to the Juniors to take the departed Seniors' places, we fancy there are few graduated seniors but feel little pang.

"For four years having been part of a carefully-organized life, surrounded by devoted teachers, they find, after the excitement and beauty of Commencement Day, that Society has no special place prepared for them; and there are often some blank, unproductive, and perhaps rather depressed years, before maturity makes self-direction possible.

Recognizing this gap in interesting young lives Mrs. J. G. Gehring, a trustee of Gould's Academy, has felt there might be a possibility of bridging this rather uninspiring period in the young people in our village and has undertaken what she calls, "An Experiment."

Since July, a group of young men and maidens have accepted her offer of her home as a Club-house, and have organized a Club of younger Alumni, and residents of the village;—this Club in no wise to interfere with the activities of the older Alumni Association formed some years ago.

Mrs. Gehring suggested that there should be a President and a Secretary, and offered her Lounge for a meeting-place twice a month, and herself as a Leader, for one year.

Mr. Fred B. Merrill was appointed President, Mr. Philip Chapman became Secretary.

During the past seven months an interesting group of young people have manifested sufficient interest to give their Leader a growing assurance that there may be built up in Bethel a solid social life of intelligence and charm among our young men and women, which will give their elders the inspiration that comes from seeing new life manifesting itself in worthy ways and gradually take their places in social life.

As Mr. Curtis felt that six boys were a sufficient inducement for the future to accept the call to the Congregational Church, so Mrs. Gehring believes that more than three times that number of boys and girls make the call upon her hospitality and vitality quite worth the while.

To give the Club-life a purpose and one requiring sufficient effort to produce development, Mrs. Gehring has taken the French I epoch in France, —that most picturesque epoch in history, and with the aid of Dr. Gehring's fine lantern slides has drawn upon her memories of travels in Old Toulouse to tell the stories connected with the eight famous French Chateaux,—those most fascinating to travellers. The study of French history has thus assumed the modern standard of "Reading without tears."

To learn the characteristics of these young people a program has included music, vocal solos, piano, and piano and violin selections; readings from American classics, and an unusual paper upon Mary, Queen of Scots. As a dessert to this substantial feast of reading charades and Old English Folk-Dances have given much merriment.

During the holidays, Mrs. Gehring gave a large party for the Club-members, especially including the college boys and girls, wherein dramatics and a "German" were introduced.

Mr. Merrill has kindly granted the columns of the ever-friendly Citizen that a summary of the seven month's study may be given. On Feb. 4th the principal pictures will be placed in rapid review, and Mrs. Gehring asks that the Club-members preserve the following summary as an aid to memory.

EIGHT FRENCH CHATEAUX.

Chillon—
This immense castle-fortress, three castles in one, was begun in the Eleventh Century. The Castle of the English Plantagenets, Henry II of England came here to mourn over the death of Thomas a' Becket, and to die of a broken heart from his son John's desertion. Here Richard, the Lion-hearted, came to bury his father, in cloth of gold, who died neglected, alone, at the altar of his Chapel. Here Joan of Arc met her ungrateful king, Chas. VII of France. She buckled on her sword at this gateway, and at the head of the army went to raise the siege of Orleans. In thirteen months she had recovered ten of France's lost

GOULD'S ACADEMY

Friday evening, Jan. 23, the town team played Gould's and was defeated with a score of 18 to 3. Lineup was as follows:

Gould's. Town.
Boan, Ig., Ig., Neal.
Cummings, rg., rg., Chandler.
Howe, c., c., Thurston.
Kendall, If., If., P. Smith.
Bartlett, rf., rf., Littlehale.
Referees, Small and Bisbee. Scorer, Pratti. Timer, Moore. Time—two twenty minute halves.

Blanche Horlick is absent on account of illness.

The Sophomore and Freshman delegations are due Friday.

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Leo Cole was in West Paris for Saturday and Sunday.

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MISS MARIE ANTOINETTE STEARNS.

After a short sickness of about one week, caused by acute indigestion, Miss Marie Antoinette Stearns was suddenly called to that other life last Tuesday morning. The end came very unexpectedly as it was thought she was recovering. Tuesday morning she told her sister that possibly sitting up for a short time would make her feel better. After getting up the end came quickly and peacefully.

Miss Stearns, or Netta Stearns, as she was generally called, was born in Bethel seventy-six years ago and was the eldest daughter of the late Phineas and Betsy Martin Stearns. For many years she was a dressmaker in Boston but when her mother was taken sick some eighteen years ago, she came home to help her younger sister, Lizzie, and after her mother's death the two sisters have made their home together.

Five brothers and one sister survive her: Nathan of Augusta, Charles of Lewiston, Daniel of Etna, Henry of Auburn, John of New-York, and Lizzie of Bethel.

The funeral services will be held at the house at one o'clock on Thursday afternoon.

NEW BOOKS AT BETHEL LIBRARY.

Books Recently Given the Bethel Library by Stephen Rich of New York City.

Coffee and Repairs.

John Kendrick Bangs, James Russell Lowell, E. E. Hale, Jr. A. M. Grace E. Philbrook. A. M.—Fred B. Merrill. A. M.—Alice H. Rose. Soc.—Nellie Curtis. Trans.—Alice Coffin. Cond.—Harriet Merrill. Atel. Cond.—Harriet Hall. Chaplain—Rev. W. C. Curtis. Marshal—Susan G. Edwards. Organist—Angie P. Wight. Adm.—Elizabeth Richardson. Ruth—Elizabeth Young. Esther—Elizabeth Garey. Martha—Annie M. Frye. Electa—Maudie P. Farwell. Warber—Abbie Pierce. Sontag—Ernest F. Blaize.

A short program interspersed the ceremony, with the following taking part:

Plane Solo, Maycie Farwell. Vocal Solo, Anna Martyn. Reading, Mildred Besserman. Violin Solo, Mrs. Ralph Young.

At the close the Worthy Matron presented Miss Hanlin with a bunch of carnations, after which refreshments of Welsh rarebit, cake, coffee, etc., were served and a pleasant social hour enjoyed.

GRANGE NEWS

CANTON GRANGE.

An excellent meeting of Canton Grange was held Saturday, the chairs being filled by the new officers. Two applications were received. The program included two topics, "On what product of the farm have you realized the most the past year?" discussed by H. M. Tucker, A. H. Adams and D. A. Bisbee. "Has the canning of vegetables proved satisfactory and does it pay?" This was decided in the affirmative. A reading by Mrs. S. A. Childs, vocal solo by Mrs. E. B. Westgate and Miss Westgate was all enjoyed. The first and second degrees will be conferred at the next meeting.

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BETHEL AND VICINITY.

Mr. Charles Neal spent the week end at his home in Auburn.

Mr. E. C. Park was in Portland on business one day last week.

Mr. Howard Thurston was in Locke's Mills on business last Saturday.

The Columbian Club will meet with Mrs. Gilbert Tuell, Friday afternoon.

Alton Bartlett spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Martha Bartlett.

Mr. E. H. Young visited his sister, Mrs. B. F. Bradbury, at Norway, Saturday.

Mr. Edwin Barker has sold his milk route to Elmer Stearns of No. West Bethel.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. George Harlow, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

Mr. W. C. Stearns and son, Warren, of Paris were guests of Mr. E. C. Park and family one day last week.

Mr. A. Van Den Kerckhoven attended the Maine Telephone Convention at Waterville, Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Ladies' Aid will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Adams in the Douglass house, Summer street.

The snow roller has been much in evidence the past few days but why are our sidewalks not broken out earlier?

June, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Brown, is much better so that the nurse was released last Saturday.

The Ladies' Club will hold a food sale at Mr. Pughard's Drug Store, Saturday afternoon. The sale will open at two o'clock.

Mr. Herman Mason has returned from Seattle, Wash., where he has been spending several weeks with his brother, Wallace Mason.

A number of Masons enjoyed a visit to the Bryant's Pond Lodge last Tuesday evening and witnessed the work in the third degree.

Mrs. Chas. Renshaw assisted by Mrs. Blackwell gave a tea at Bethel Inn last Friday afternoon to about 30 guests. A short entertainment preceded the pouring.

Miss Catherine Seaton, who has been spending a few weeks with Mrs. Ella Carter and family, has returned to her home in Greenwich, Conn., from where she will go back to the Wright School in New York City to resume her studies. Mrs. Carter accompanied her to Portland.

GROVER HILL.
George Mundt and sister, Bertha, are both quite ill this (Monday) morning.

Maurice Tyler is convalescing from his serious injury New Year's.

Mrs. Fred E. Wheeler and young son, Earlyn, from Norway, were week end guests of friends in town.

Some of the young people in this place attended the Step Lively Club dance at West Bethel, Thursday night.

Mrs. Fred Shaw from Robinson Hill is frequent guest of her daughter, Mrs. Almon Tyler, Cobblestones.

LOCKE'S MILLS.
Stanley Wheeler of South Paris was in town, Wednesday, on business.

W. W. Coolidge has been quite sick. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown and children were guests of relatives at Bethel, Sunday.

Mrs. Ruth Young received a visit from friends from West Paris, Sunday. Howard Thurston of Bethel was in town on business, Saturday.

C. B. Tibbets is installing an engine in his saw mill, on account of lack of water they cannot saw by water power. Ed. Peavely of South Paris is doing the work.

Ellie Pike and Ethel Vases were at Bryant's Pond, shopping, Friday.

Harold Lerry visited his mother at Bryant's Pond, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Stowell visited with relatives and friends at South Paris, Sunday.

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Mr. Bachelder, who spent a few days in Bethel, has gone to Boston.

W. C. Holt of Hanover was in town on business one day last week.

Miss L. M. Stearns and Mrs. Annie Willey spent last week in Portland.

Miss Blanche Lane of Norway was a Sunday guest at Rev. J. H. Little's.

Mrs. Helen Tyler of West Bethel was at Dr. R. B. Tibbets' a few days last week.

Mr. D. S. Hastings stock was increased last Sunday morning by twin steer calves.

Mr. S. P. Stearns went to So. Paris last week to visit his sister, Mrs. Hammond, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brown and children of Locke's Mills were guests of relatives in town, Sunday.

Rev. E. C. Brown has returned to his home in Bangor after spending a few days at L. L. Carver's.

Mrs. Ralph Young of Norway was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Thurston, last week.

Rev. J. H. Little was called to Brunswick, Wednesday, to attend a funeral of a former parishioner.

Mrs. Harry Lyon presided at the organ at the Congregational Church, Sunday morning, as Miss Blanche Herrick was ill.

The Men's Club will hold a meeting Wednesday evening open to all men of the town. Dr. George M. Twitchell of Auburn will speak.

The officers of Bethel Grange, No. 60, will be installed Thursday evening, Jan. 28. Harry Head of West Bethel assisted by West Bethel grange degree team will install.

J. E. Stevens of Rumford drove up from Buckfield by the way of South Paris last Friday in his new car. He said that the snow bothered him some but the car was equal to the task.

Miss Frances F. Carter, who has been teaching in the School for the Deaf at Margon, N. C., has accepted a position in the Portland School for the Deaf, arriving there from the South last Saturday.

Rev. Mr. Sawyer, who, on account of ill health was obliged to take a long vacation, has been spending the summer and fall in Greenwood, left Tuesday and fall for Rumney, N. H., where he will resume his work as pastor of the M. E. Church in that place.

EAST BETHEL.

Mr. Urban Bartlett was at home from Portland the week end.

Miss Rena George of Locke's Mills is the guest of friends in this place.

Mr. Harold Hutchins has moved from Portland to his farm here.

Mr. Freeborn Dean made a business trip to Waltham, Mass., last week. He has purchased the Merrill E. Bartlett homestead farm in this place, and will take possession Feb. 1.

Mrs. Fred C. Dean has been suffering with a severe attack of erysipelas in both eyes. She is slowly recovering.

Mr. O. D. Turnell, B. J. Russell, J. H. Swan, L. E. Cole, H. Bartlett, H. E. Bartlett and others drove to Bryant's Pond, Wednesday evening to attend the K. of P. District Convention.

Miss Edna Bartlett and Miss Mary Dresser gave a very pleasant entertainment Saturday evening at Orange Hall, the evening opened with progressive whist, being eight tables.

Prizes were won by Miss Rena George and Robert Sanborn, second prizes fell to Mrs. George Swan and Elmer Trask. After refreshments of pop corn, confectionery and fruit all enjoyed a grand march and several lively dances, also music furnished by Mrs. Freeborn Dean.

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I like the man who faces what he must With step triumphant and a heart of cheer;

Who fights the daily battle without fear;

Sees his hope fail, yet keeps unfaltering trust;

That God is God; that somehow true and just;

His plans work out for mortals.

Sarah R. Bolton.

Let me but do my work from day to day,

In field or forest, at the desk or loom,

In roaring market place, or tranquil room;

Let me but find it in my heart to say,

When vibrant wishes beckon me astray;

"This is my work; my blessing, not my doom;

Of all who live, I am the one by whom

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PROPER LUNCHES FOR OUR SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Don't Think of Giving Them Those Indigestible or Injurious Foods That You Would Not Allow Them to Eat for Lunch at Home.

"Children going to school often take lunches with them. I find a great many people who are very careful about what the child eats at home will send him to school with a piece of cake, two or three cookies and a piece of gingerbread, evidently with the idea that the child can digest things in school that it cannot digest at home. They would never think of giving a child a jelly sandwich, but a piece of bread and meat. But they will send it to school with a jelly sandwich and an apple. Now the lunch which the child takes to school should be no different from the one it would eat at home."

DR. JOHN LOVETT MORSE, on Staff of Children's Hospital, Boston, in Address at Bangor.

Have you ever been obliged to eat from a lunch box day after day until at last you would prefer to go without food? If so perhaps you can better understand why at times the lunch is brought home intact. It is indeed unfortunate that a child should be obliged to partake of the noon-time meal away from home, or rather away from a home, but in rural sections this is often unavoidable. In such cases care must be taken to prepare a lunch that will be satisfying in event of a hearty appetite and sufficiently attractive to the delicate palate. At the same time the question of nutrition is an important one.

What ever is used as a receptacle, it must always be perfectly clean; if of tin, have it well washed, sealed and aired, that there may be none of the disagreeable closeness that is sometimes encountered. If a pasteboard box is used, be sure it is fresh, and avoid the cheaper grades that will impart their flavor to the food or absorb the various odors of the contents. When a basket is used, there is a better opportunity for air, but to counter-

INTERNAL CATARRH.

"Peruna Has Done Wonders For Me. I Was So Weak!"

Mrs. M. P. Curry, P. O. Box 615, Peterborough, N.H., writes:

"I have been troubled with internal catarrh since my girlhood, and was sick in bed three months. When I was able to get up, I was weak and thin. I could hardly walk. What I ate disagreed with me. I had stomach and liver trouble, and my feet and limbs were swollen so I could scarcely drag around."

She took Peruna, and it has done wonders for me. No cure was a surprise to my friends for they never expected to see me well again. I just took two bottles of Peruna after dosing for five months and growing worse all the time."

Continued Headache.

Mrs. Esther M. Miller, Box 121, De Graff, Ohio, writes: "I was a terribly sufferer from internal catarrh, and had the headaches continuously. I was not able to do my housework for myself and husband. You recommended Peruna. I took four bottles and was completely cured. I think Peruna a wonderful medicine and have recommended it to my friends."

—Adv.

net this there is the possibility of dust or insects entering the food.

Having decided on this part of the preparation, we must then supply waxed paper, paper napkins or old pieces of table linen for separating and protecting the different materials in the lunch. Butter paper can be used for this purpose if desired, although either the waxed paper or paper napkins can be purchased in quantities at a slight expense. Always have these supplies at hand, and in a convenient place, and although the lunch must be put up at a time when there are many things to demand attention, the fact that everything is at hand will lighten the work to quite an extent.

In planning the lunch sandwiches seem to be the first essential, and these can be made in such varieties that there is no neglect of our menu becoming monotonous. Bread which is at least 24 hours old should be used; the butter creamed until it will spread easily, and generously applied even to the edge of the slice. The filling also should cover the entire slice of bread, as this will have a tendency to keep the crust moist. Otherwise part of each sandwich may serve as a dinner for the birds.

Use judgment in preparing sandwiches. If for a boy with a hearty appetite, use fairly thick slices so that he will feel that he is getting enough to satisfy him. If on the other hand the child has a delicate appetite that needs coaxing, make the sandwiches as dainty as possible. In order to keep them from becoming dry either wrap in waxed paper, or in a piece of table linen or old napkin which has been wrung out of hot water. In case the latter plan is adopted, it will be necessary to protect the remainder of the food from the moisture.

Do not supply the same variety of sandwiches every day, even if there is one kind which your child particularly likes. It is often desirable to provide more than one kind for each day. This can be done without any great amount of extra trouble, as various fillings can be kept on hand. Peanut butter, minced meats of different kinds moistened with either brown or cream gravy, tomato sauce, or salad dressing, chopped nuts, grated or creamed cheese, minced fish, or egg can be used. For an occasional sweet sandwich try scraped maple sugar, jelly or jam, dates, cream cheese with nuts and raisins ground together. Or in the proper season variety may be secured by using crisp carrots, lettuce, sliced radishes and cucumbers with salad dressing, or sliced sweetened strawberries.

Vary the bread for sandwiches by adding nuts or raisins to the regular entire wheat bread mixture, and currants or raisins with one or two eggs to the ordinary white bread. Spice it occasionally or try a dash of cayenne or caraway seed. Use plain brown bread, with or without raisins, a slice of coffee cake or light corn bread. Experiment with all of these and you will find which are the favorites. Then tuck one in at the bottom of the package of sandwiches as a surprise now and then.

Plau bread and butter can be used with a stuffed egg, thin slices of meat, creamed meat or even salad. This last is not so hard to pack as might at first appear. Small glass jars with tops that screw on can be obtained either at the confectioners or druggists, and handy receptacles for anything of this kind. They can also be used in varying the sweet part of the lunch with Indian pudding, custard, or some similar dessert. Cookies or a simple cake are acceptable.

Frut should always be included if possible, if not fresh, at least in the form of stewed fruit or sauce. The glass jars mentioned above may contain stewed prunes or figs, apple or cranberry sauce.

As a surprise add occasionally a few pieces of candy, a popcorn cake, some cracked nuts, olives, dates, or raisins, and see what enjoyment they will afford.

The Thermos bottles which are coming into general use offer an opportunity which should not be neglected. In the cold weather it is possible to supply the hot soup which in past days would have been out of the question. Think also of the hot cocoa, hot malted milk in the winter, and lemonade, grape juice, fruit drinks or cold milk or water in the summer. Tea or coffee should of course be avoided, as either one acts as a stimulant.

Colds Are Often Most Serious. Stop Possible Complications.

The disregard of a Cold has often brought many a regret. The fact of Sneezing, Coughing, or a Fever should be warning enough that your system needs immediate attention. Certainly Loss of Sleep is most serious. It is a warning given by Nature. It is man's duty to himself to assist by doing his part. Dr. King's New Discovery is based on a scientific analysis of Colds. See at your Druggist. Buy a bottle today.

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HANOVER.

Mrs. Henry Stearns, who has been on the sick list, is able to be up and is improving each day.

Ellie Stearns has his pulp nearly all cut and saved and has started hauling it to the river.

C. F. Saunders has four men cutting birch for him.

Arthur Wight is very much improved in health and thinks he will soon be able to do some light work in his blacksmith shop.

Thursday a wagon passed through town and Friday an auto was seen on the street.

S. P. Davis is sheathing his kitchen.

Miss Dutten, the teacher in the upper district, spent the day, Sunday, with Miss Bourque, the teacher in the village.

Mrs. W. C. Holt has returned from the hospital much improved in health.

The winter term of school at the upper end of the town is progressing under Miss Bells Hutton of Brunswick thin term, and all show great interest in their studies.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stearns are at the home of their son, Ell Stearns. Mr. Stearns is helping his son cut timber.

C. F. Saunders was at Rumford last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Bartlett entertained three tables of whist last Thursday evening. The evening was very pleasantly spent playing whist, after which refreshments of cocoa and fancy crackers were served. First prizes were won by Addie Saunders and Roy Stearns; second prizes by Miss Bells Hutton and Clarence Howe.

NORTH WATERFORD.

Mrs. Sumner Grover received word Friday morning that her father, Amos Barker, passed away during the night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Joseph Barnett, of Norway, with whom he had lived sometime. If Mr. Barker had lived until the 23rd he would have been 85 years old. Mr. and Mrs. Barker have just moved to Norway from Bryant's Pond.

There was no school, Wednesday, as the teachers were sick.

The triplets born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Millett made a short stop in this world of trouble, the funeral of the three occurring Wednesday, January 20. Waterford was very proud of the first triplets ever born in town. The family have the sympathy of all. S. M. Knight, W. R. C., met at the vestry, Thursday, Jan. 21, for the purpose of installing their officers for the year 1915. Dinner was served at noon to the members and their families after which the following officers were installed:

Pres.—Rosa York.
Senior V. P.—Nellie Farmer.
Junior V. P.—Myra Cheever.
Secretary—Martha Black.
Treasurer—Jennie McAllister.
Chaplain—Louise Knight.
Conductor—Grace Elliott.

Asst. Cond.—Ella Elliott.

Guard—Ethel Lovejoy.

Asst. Guard—Lucy Hutchinson.

Press Cor.—Josephine Bickford.

Pat. In.—Lizzie Manning.

1st Color Bearer—Pearl Hobson.

2nd Color Bearer—Lola McAllister.

3rd Color Bearer—Minnie McKeen.

4th Color Bearer—Dollie Eastman.

Musician—Hazel Wardwell.

Merlit Sawn is seriously sick at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Arthur Millett.

Ralph Knight was at home a few days the last of the week.

NORTHWEST ALBANY.

Nelson Rolfe has been sick with bronchitis.

George Rolfe was down from Hastings, Saturday to see his family, returning Sunday.

Robert Rolfe, the little son of Geo. Rolfe, has been sick.

Mrs. G. B. Mills has been having a bad cough and cold.

George Mills has finished work for E. W. Rolfe and is helping his father, G. B. Mills.

Leland Mills jammed his finger badly in the mill at Hastings and had to go to Bethel to see the doctor. He visited his sister, Mrs. Irving Hutchinson, Saturday night, returning to Hastings, Sunday.

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CANTON

Miss Hazel Gilbert of Lewiston has been a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Gilbert, of Canton.

Miss Carrie F. Hayford is visiting her sister, Mrs. Myrtle Jones, of Bangor.

Geo. Wyman of Readfield has been a guest of Mrs. L. A. Davis.

Mrs. S. A. Russell and daughter, Miss Millie Russell, of Dixfield have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Towle.

Arthur Tirrell has returned home from So. Rangeley, where he has been employed.

Mrs. Elizabeth Barter has been visiting her son, Olson Barter, of Tenants Harbor.

A drama from Peru was presented at the Grange Hall, Thursday evening.

Vinton Bridge of Portland has been a guest at the home of Mrs. W. E. Hutchinson and family.

H. Frank Richardson was at home from Bliss Business College, Lewiston, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Geo. W. Carson is visiting at her former home in Readfield.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hutchinson went to Wilton, Saturday, where Mr. Hutchinson will be employed as representative of the San and Mrs. Hutchinson will visit their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Swasey, Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Morse and Miss Agnes Merrill went to Livermore Falls, Wednesday, to attend the funeral of Rev. C. A. Hayden.

Miss Ethel Russell of Auburn has been visiting at her home in town.

Mrs. C. C. Rowe has been on the sick list.

J. L. Darrington is receiving treatment at a hospital in Lewiston for his ankle, which was severely cut last summer with a mowing machine.

Cushing Ford of East Sumner, a former townsmen, is in failing health.

W. L. Marston and wife of New Gloucester are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, Everett Neal.

Mrs. Jonnia Stevens of Bryant's Pond has been a guest of her nephew, G. A. Ellis and family, of Gilbertville.

Mrs. W. E. Hutchinson has been visiting her husband at the Hebron Sanatorium. Mr. Hutchinson is on the gain and is able to walk out.

Mrs. Clus. W. Thompson of Auburn is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Laura Berry and family, of Hartford.

Mrs. Ira Marston Bryant, who has been very ill with erysipelas in the face at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Marston, of Hartford, is considerably better.

Pomona Rebekah Lodge, No. 28, held its installation last Friday evening. The new officers were duly installed by D. D. P., Mrs. Vina M. Sparks of Rumford, assisted by Mrs. Nellie Morse of Rumford as Grand Marshal. The officers are:

N. G.—Mrs. Maud Richardson.

V. G.—Mrs. Veda Wickell.

Rec. Sec.—Mrs. Ethel Woodward.

Fin. Sec.—Mrs. Flora Patterson.

Treasurer—Mrs. Eleanor Westgate.

Warden—Mrs. Ezra Chamberlain.

Cord.—Miss Addie Marston.

R. S. N. G.—Mrs. Eva B. York.

L. S. N. G.—Mrs. Etta Gilbert.

Chaplain—Mrs. Mahelia Glines.

R. S. V. G.—Mrs. Gladys Russell.

L. S. V. G.—Mrs. Helen A. Eastman.

I. G.—Mrs. Mary Richardson.

O. G.—Mrs. Angie Hodge.

At the close of the ceremony bouquets of carnations were presented to the installing officers by Mrs. Ella L. Swasey in behalf of the lodge.

The history of the first two weeks of the Maine Legislature has indeed been interesting, and as far as the Democrats are concerned in some individual instances, it has been disgraceful. The Republicans have, at all times, conducted themselves with absolute decorum and fairness. On the other hand, the Democrats, not being able to trust each other, established a spy system about the ballot box so that it was impossible for any representative to vote without being seen by them. The big stick was shaken over the head of every Democratic member. The fact that a secret ballot has been emphatically endorsed by all parties was ignored by them. It was evident from the first that the secret ballot was only approved by Democrats when its approval would serve their purposes. During the first week, the balloting for state officers was without result.

At the opening of the session of the second week, the Republicans moved to suspend voting for Secretary of State and to proceed to the election of councillors. The Republicans believed that should be done because without a council the business of the State could not proceed. The deadlock which had prevailed was broken on the first ballot.

Seth T. Campbell, Progressive, asked to be excused from voting but was ordered to vote. Augustus Libby, Progressive, was in the Convention when his name was called. It was at once understood that he was purposely absent, thus throwing the election of the Council into the hands

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Azay le Rideau.

This beautiful chateau was one of the famous pleasure-ports of royalty, although it also had the distinction of wearing a fringe of three hundred hanged men around its battlements during its earlier days.

The river Indre flows in, and out, and around the moat, which surrounds the building. Tapestries, portraits and carved furniture still furnish rooms once occupied by Francis I, Louis XIII, and Louis XIV.

Languedoc.

This immense chateau, with hooded towers enclosing spiral staircases was all one lovely great mass of ivy and yellow climbing roses, with spring flowers at its base. It is the only lived-in chateau we visited. Beautifully-restored by wealth and perfect taste, one saw how the dwellers in by-gone days really lived. It was built in 990. Ten centuries old, it still shows one the superb great Salons where Chas, the VIII, married the little heiress, Anne of Brittany, who brought a great dowry to France, with the provost that in case of her husband's death she should marry the next king—which she proceeded to do, in later years. Amboise.

This great pile was once occupied by a baron who accompanied Wm. The Conqueror to England. Chas, the VIII was born and died here, and here was where Louis XII married Charles' ambitious little widow, Anne of Brittany, after divorcing his lovely wife, Jeanne of France. Louis de Savoy lived here with her young son, who was to be known as Francis I, King of the French Renaissance, and her beautiful daughter Marguerite, who was called, "Pearl of the Valois." Over the great stone bridge, seen in the picture, Mary Stuart, with her young husband Francis II rode, with a gay retinue, to pass their honeymoon in the stately rooms of Amboise. Frescoes are still on the walls, unchanged from those days. Catharine de Medici, the mother of three kings, proudly held sway at that court, which became "The Court of Blood." Fifty-seven Huguenot noblemen were beheaded by her sanction and the Duke of Guise's orders, before those fine long windows upon the balcony, of the rooms of Mary, Queen of Scots, and she was forced, by Catharine, to witness the execution.

At Amboise is St. Hubert's Chapel. St. Hubert was the patron of the chase. It is a most exquisite little building—and there lies the body of Leonardo da Vinci—one of the greatest masters of art known in history. Chambord.

The most beautiful of all the chateaux is a pleasure-palace, built, as you see, across the river Cher, like a bridge. It is exquisite in its architectural beauty, inside, and there are still tapestries and wonderful chimney pieces, fire-places, polished doors and wonderful ceilings. This chateau was the scene of great festivities in the days of Diane de Poitier and Catharine de Medici, with her Flying Squadron of young beauties.

Today the scrubby part is horribly disfigured by present conditions, for war has thrust its awful presence into these lovely surroundings—and there appears to be a Red Cross Hospital.

The great hunting-lodge of Francis I is an architectural wilderness, of

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Francis II married Mary, Queen of Scots.

Chas. IX—held responsible for massacre of St. Bartholomew.

Henri III—murderer of Duke of Guise, himself assassinated.

Three notorious sons of Henri II and Catharine de Medici.

Louise de Savoy—mother of Francis I, Marguerite—Duchess of Savoy—Francis' sister.

Diane de Poitier—friend of Henri II, Ruggieri—astrologer, always in the service of Catharine de Medici.

Duke of Guise—murdered at Blois.

Henri IV of Navarre—murdered Marie de Medici.

Louis XIII—Bourbon, King of France.

This closes the seven months' course upon French history. The next illustrated travel-course will be announced at the meeting, Feb. 18th and will continue till the end of the Club year with varied programs.

WEST BETHEL.

Mr. Frank Brown of North West Bethel has been ill the past week.

Mr. John Mather from Swampscoot, Mass., visited his brother, Joseph Mather and family, a few days quite recently. He is superintendent of Swampscoot water works.

Miss Lydia Peabody is quite ill with a bad cold.

Mrs. T. B. Burke from Bethel visited Mrs. Emma Bartlett one evening the last of the week.

Fred Hall from Bethel has a barber chair in the Denison store. He comes up twice a week, Tuesday and Friday evenings and comes to have all he can attend to.

James Mastia from Portland is spending several weeks with Mrs. Hugh Thurston, also Miss Macintosh is making her a visit.

Miss Grace Farwell has been quite ill the past week with a bad cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gilbert were in Bethel, N. H. last week.

Mr. Moses Davis is at work in the mill.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Alles were up from Bethel, Sunday, to visit Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Alles.

E. H. Galleher from Bethel visited the school here, Friday.

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INCREASE IN GOLD MINING.

Value of Output for 1914 Placed by U. S. Geological Survey and Bureau of the Mint at Nearly \$93,000,000.

The gold-mining industry of the United States had a prosperous year in 1914 and regained its normal condition, inasmuch as early returns indicate an output greater by nearly \$4,000,000 than that of 1913. Mr. H. D. McCaskey, of the U. S. Geological Survey, who is authority for these figures, adds that the production in 1913 was lower than for several years past and even in 1914 the output was considerably below that of any year in the period 1908-1912, when the high-water mark was reached. For 1914 the preliminary figures of the United States Geological Survey and the Bureau of the Mint indicate a total gold yield of \$92,223,500.

In Alaska the output of gold increased about \$300,000, the industry was generally prosperous, and a large amount of dead work continued to be done preparatory to increased output from lode mines.

The placer yield was about \$10,700,000, or the same as in 1913, and increases made in the Ruby, Seward Peninsula, Iditarod, and Hot Springs districts offset declines in output from Fairbanks and other camps.

Abundant rainfall favored placer mining. About 26 gold

lode mines produced about \$5,100,000

in 1914, against \$4,814,813 from 20

mines in 1913. Juneau, including the

Treadwell and the great new Alaska-Juneau, Alaska-Gastineau, and other

mines, continued to be the most important lode district.

In Arizona the mine production of

gold increased about \$500,000 in 1914.

The chief producers, the Tom Reed,

Gold Road, Vulture, and Commonwealth

mines, were active and produced

more than half the total yield,

the remainder coming largely from

copper ores.

In California the mines produced

over \$700,000 more than in 1913. The

Grass Valley, Mother Lode, and other

quartz mines continued active produc-

ers at depth, and the placer output,

especially from the large dredging op-

erations, was again large. The dredges

alone produced 50 per cent of the

total gold yield and over 90 per cent

of the total placer output.

Colorado mines increased their yield

by over \$1,000,000 above that of 1913,

the greater part of this increase, or

\$1,153,000, being made in the Cripple

Creek district, where the mines and

mills had another active year. Lake

County (hitherto Leadville) made an

important increase in gold output also,

and smaller increases were made in

Oreay and Dolores counties of the

San Juan region, and in Boulder, Chaffee,

Clear Creek, Summit, and Eagle

counties. The gold yield declined some-

what in San Juan, San Miguel, and

La Plata counties, of the San Juan re-

gion, and in Mineral County (Creede).

In Idaho the mine output decreased

over \$250,000, owing largely to the

small output of the De Lamar mine,

but the dredges in Lemhi and Boise

counties had a prosperous year.

In Montana the mine yield increased

over 14 per cent and the total produc-

tion was about \$1,000,000, or more than

for any year since 1906. The placers

and the Southern Cross and North

Moccasin mines enjoyed an active year.

Nevada mines showed a decrease of

about 4 per cent, or over \$100,000, in

gold output in 1914. The yield at the

great Goldfield camp alone declined by

over \$1,000,000, but this decrease was

offset by increased yield from Tonop-

ah, Fairview, Wonder, Round, Mount-

ain, National, Seven Trough, and other

camps. At Manhattan the output de-

creased about 40 per cent.

In New Mexico the mine production

increased nearly \$300,000, but in Gre-

enwood the output declined about \$20,000.

In South Dakota the mine output

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RUMFORD

POINTS THE WAY
The Statement of This Rumford Falls Resident Will Interest Our Readers.

The regular meeting of the Cosmos Club took place at Hotel Rumford on Monday evening of last week, with supper in the private dining room of the hotel at seven o'clock. At the completion of the meal, the meeting was called to order, and after all business affairs had been disposed of, the paper of the evening was presented by Mr. Foster, resident engineer of the International Paper Co. It was a paper of much interest, on the subject, "Workman's Compensation," and involved a discussion of the bill before the present legislature, providing for compensation to workmen in industrial accidents. Mr. Foster gave a resume of the movement, and the various laws in states now working under workmen's compensation enactments. Owing to the fact that all of the lawyer members of the club were at So. Paris, to attend a meeting of representative men from all parts of Oxford County, for the purpose of expounding on the proposition of the County assisting in the building of a combined municipal and county building at Rumford, the legal side of the proposed legislation was not brought out so fully as otherwise might have been, but much information was brought out in the informal discussion of those present, and the trend of opinion, as expressed by the members, was decidedly in favor of the proposed, enactment by the present legislative body.

Miss Charlotte French, who has been employed in the office of Charles A. Mixer for several years past, has resigned her position and will leave in about two weeks to take up social settlement work in New York City.

There will be a "Tom Thumb" wedding at the Baptist vestry on the evening of February 5th. Miss Eleanor McGregor of Portland will have charge. Forty children will take part.

The wedding of Mike Nelligan and Sadie O'Brien will occur at St. Athanasius Church, Feb. 5. Mr. Nelligan was formerly employed in Philip Ash's pool room.

The ladies of the Universalist church held a food sale on Wednesday afternoon of this week at the store of E. W. Howe.

Rev. William Gaskin has been called to Derry, N. H., by the illness and death of his father, therefore there were no services at the Universalist Church last Sunday.

Miss Lila Knapp of Oquossoc is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Freedmont Coolidge in the Virginia District.

There was a private installation of the officers of the Eastern Star on Tuesday evening of this week. A supper was served to all at six thirty in the evening.

Miss Gertrude Jennings of Leed's is the guest of Mrs. T. L. Barker.

A supper was given at the chapel in Virginia under the auspices of the Bible Class of the M. E. Church last Friday evening.

Clan Chisholm and the Ladies' Auxiliary celebrated the birthday anniversary of Robert Burns in K. of P. Hall, Monday evening. The concert commenced at eight o'clock promptly, and was followed by a supper and a dance. Following was the concert program.

Remarks by the chairman; quartette, "There was a lad," Miss Jean Mohr,

Mrs. David Moir, Messrs. D. McMaster and R. Burnside; solo, "The star of

Robbie Burns," Miss Moir; address to Burns, Rev. John M. Atters; solo,

"Any old port in a storm," R. Burnside; reading, Past. chfes G. and R. Clunie; solo, "Bonnie sweet Bessie," Mrs. David Moir; solo, "Gae bring to me a Pint o' Wine," Daniel McMaster; quartette, "To A Haggis," Donald McMaster; quartette, "Ye Banks and Braes," Miss Jean Moir, Mrs. David Moir, Messrs. D. McMaster and R. Burnside; "Auld Lang Syne," quartette and audience.

W. H. S. Ellingwood, superintendent of schools, is calling the attention of the citizens of the town to the fact that the new high school building is already too small. The high school building is being taxed to its limit.

AT NINETY

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G. W. Heath of South WIndham, Maine, is 90 years "young"—and still Hale and Hearty. For 60 years, he has used "I. P." Atwood's Medicine, and his personal recollections of Mr. Atwood are very interesting:

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BRYANT'S POND.
There will be an entertainment here Thursday evening under the auspices of the village dramatic club. The special feature will be Master Leo Lyons, the boy wonder, in his costume songs, readings and dances. Master Lyons comes from Portland, and will be assisted in the evening's event by local talent.

A school district meeting has been called to be held Saturday evening next, for the purpose of obtaining the sentiment of the voters regarding the location of the new high school house. The village society will also have a special meeting this week to decide whether they would be in any event willing to furnish grounds for the above house.

Ames Barker, who has been living in Woodstock with his daughter, Mrs. J. B. Barnett, died in Norway, Jan. 22, aged 55. Mr. Barker was a former resident of Stoneham, and was a member there of Hawawatha Lodge, K. of P., and the Methodist church in that town.

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Nearly two hundred attended the convention of Knights held here last week. The main meeting was held at the Opera House and supper was served in the Grange Hall.

The logging business is improving with the new burden of snow. There is a large amount of birch and pulp wood still to be handled here. The spool company is also receiving many thousand spool strips by rail.

M. of R. & C.—Lena M. Felt.

M. of F.—Frances M. Penley.

Prot.—Mendie M. Mills.

Guard—Jane Lapham.

Past Chief—Astellia Schwend.

Mrs. Kidder presented Mrs. Wheat with a bouquet of pinks and Mrs. Schwend with a Past Chief pin. There were remarks by F. E. Wheat and others. Delicious refreshments were served during the evening. O. P. Smith and J. M. Harlow furnished music. It was voted to hold a fancy-work sale.

Oscar Wakefield, who was in town to see his mother, Mrs. B. L. Akers, returned to his home in Oldtown, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Thurston are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

Mrs. Ebeneezer Hutchins and four children have been quite sick with the measles.

Y. A. Thurston was at home from Augusta, Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. Geo. Graham is soliciting aid for the Belgians and has quite a sum of money already.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Burgess and daughter returned from the Lakes last week.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Roberts at Lewiston last Wednesday.

Mrs. Frank Field was called to Andover, Mass., Tuesday of last week by the illness of her grandson, who has pneumonia.

Antoine Arsenault was at Frye, Monday.

Goo. Wakefield, who visited his mother, Mrs. B. L. Akers, a few days last week, returned to his home in Clinton, Friday.

Gabot Lodge, K. of P., and the Pythian Sisters Ellis Glen Assembly, publicly installed their officers in the town hall, Friday evening. About 250 people were present. Mrs. Harriet Wheat assisted by Mrs. Schwend and Mrs. Harry Ladd from Rumford installed the Sisters in a very creditable manner, after which the Knights were installed by Grand Officer, Bert Barker, of Hanover, who did the work very efficiently. The Sisters gave a drill and their floor work, under the leadership of Mrs. F. E. Leale, was greatly enjoyed. Refreshments were served in the lower dining hall, which consisted of one of L. M. Hawley's famous oyster stews and pastry of all kinds, coffee and oranges. A few dances were enjoyed after supper with music by the Andover Orchestra. It was one of the most enjoyable evenings of the season.

THE HANDY ADJECTIVE TO UPLIFT THE RACE.

The adjective is an indispensable little article put up in handy combination sets, to be carried in the pocket or bag. An outfit consists of eight kinds of commendatory and eight kinds of condemnatory terms. A liberal supply of each variety is furnished, and each separate label is coated on one side with a sanitary adhesive gum, so that it may with facility be stuck onto an oil painting, a cathedral, or a tomb.

While the adjective has long been considered the special property of the tourist, it is coming into everyday use in many of our best families, who find it a convenient adjunct when inspecting other people's babies, photographs exhibits on mantelpieces, and Daguerrean rags. Equipped with a kit of adjectives, one may feel at home anywhere—in garden and gallery and canon; in music room and mountain land; on ship and stage and barre's back; in ruined city and desert.

An adjective is often the germ of a life career. When another parent's child recites a poem from the Book of Carefully Selected Recitations, drawn from the pocket-kit a fitting adjective and fasten it dexterously upon his forehead. There are several applicable

ANDOVER

John Ladd from Roxbury was in town on business, Monday.

Miss Irene Abbott, who has had the measles recently, is suffering with sore eyes and unable to attend school.

The Ancient and Honorable White Club was entertained Saturday evening at Glenellis, the pleasant home of Dr.

and Mrs. F. E. Leslie. Seven tables were used. Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Melcher and Raymond Curtis, the high school principal, were guests of the evening.

Mrs. Melcher and C. A. Rand were winners of the first prizes, the consolation going to Clayton Sweet and Mrs. Holton Abbott. An oyster stew served by L. M. Hawley with pastry and coffee was greatly enjoyed. Dr. and Mrs. Leslie, Mr. and Mrs. Y. A. Thurston and C. T. Poor and Mrs. Alia Merrill were the committee for the evening.

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SEED INSPECTION.

The Commissioner of Agriculture is
the executive of the law regulating
the sale of agricultural seeds in Maine.
It is the duty of the Maine Agricultural
Experiment Station to make the
analyses of the samples collected by
the Commissioner, and it is the duty of
the Director to publish the results of
the analyses of the samples of agricultural
seeds, together with the names of
the persons from whom the samples
were obtained, the names of the manu-
facturers thereof and such additional
information as may seem advisable.The first law regulating the sale of
seeds was enacted by the Legislature of
1807. This was revised by the Leg-
islature of 1805. This was again re-
vised by the Legislature of 1911 so as
to conform with the requirements rec-
ommended by the Association of Of-
ficial Seed Analysts and agreed to by
the American Seed Dealers Associa-
tion. The chief requirements of the
law follow. The full text of the law
will be sent on request to the Com-
missioner of Agriculture, Augusta, Me.
The Chief Requirements of the Law.The following are the chief points
of the law and the rules and regulations
for carrying out the law regulating
the sale of agricultural seeds which,
as directed by the law, the Com-
missioner of Agriculture, has made.1. Kind of seeds coming under the
law. The law applies to the sale,
distribution, transportation, or the offer-
ing or exposing for sale, distribution,
or transportation of the seeds of al-
falfa, barley, Canadian blue grass,
Kentucky blue grass, bromegrass,
timothy, rye, rye grass, rye, rye grass,
clover, white clover, red clover, white
clover, field corn, Kafir corn, meadow
foxtail, flax, Hungarian millet, oats,
cultural grass, rye, rye grass, rye, rye grass,
timothy and wheat for seedling
purposes.2. The brand. Each lot or package
shall be plainly marked with the name
of the seed and its minimum percent-
age of purity.3. Mixtures. Mixtures must be
plainly marked with the name of the
seed and the percentage of purity. In
the mixtures contain seeds not
named in 1 they need not be named,
e. g., a mixture consisting of half
blue grass, 50 per cent pure, quarter Ken-
tucky blue grass, 50 per cent pure and the
remainder seeds not named in the
law, could be marked "Holtop 45 per
cent pure, Kentucky blue grass 21 per
cent pure." The statement of the re-
maining constituents may or may not
be named.)4. Alteration. A seed is adulter-
ated if its purity falls below its guar-
anteed or if it contains the seed of any
noxious plant.5. Misbranding. A seed is mis-
branded if the package or label bears
any statement, designed or device
which is false or misleading in any
way, whether or not it does not carry the
statements named in 2.6. Free analysis. Free analysis of
seeds on sale in Maine will be made of
samples taken in accordance with di-
rections furnished by the Commission-
er of Agriculture. Samples not so tak-
en may be refused examination. Blanks
and full directions will be furnished
on request.

7. Paid analysis. As an accommo-

dation to residents of Maine samples
of seeds not on sale in Maine will be
examined at cost, and the results will
not be published. The cost of the
analysis of blue grass or rye grass is \$1.00
per sample and for other seeds 50
cents. Remittance should accompany
the sample.8. Written guaranty. No prosecu-
tion will lie against any person hand-
ling agricultural seeds provided he ob-
tains at the time of purchase a written
guaranty signed by the person re-
siding in the United States, from whom
the purchase was made, to the effect
that the seeds are not adulterated or
misbranded within the meaning of the
Maine law regulating the sale of ag-
ricultural seeds. After a person has
been notified by the Commissioner of
Agriculture that an article of agricultural
seed appears to be adulterated or
misbranded the written guaranty
will not protect further sales.9. Hearings. The person who is be-
lieved to have violated the law regu-
lating the sale of seeds will be granted
a hearing at which he may appear in
person or by attorney or by letter.
The notice of the hearing will name
the time and place of the hearing and
a copy of the charge. Failure to ap-
pear will not prejudice the case. The
hearing will be private and every op-
portunity given for explanation and
establishment of innocence. If the time appointed is not a convenient
one, postponement within reasonable
limit will be granted.

Testing Seeds at Home.

It is important to the user of seeds
not only to know their percentage of
purity and what kind of weeds they
carry, but to also know something of
their vitality. In the case of seeds
there are at least three ways whereby
the user may be injured. A seed which
carries foreign matter of any kind, in
any considerable amount, is correspond-
ingly lowered in value. But there is
another reason which is more important
than the money consideration, and
that is that the seed weeds which the
seeds contain may be pernicious. For
example, clover seed frequently car-
ries plainain seed. If this plainain
seed in the door-yard variety which is
present practically all over Maine, in
the hands of dealers, large and small,
were generally examined. Out
of nearly 1300 samples none were ap-
preciable below the guaranteed purity.
In 1914 he visited 328 dealers and
examined 1263 samples of seeds. Of
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he found only 8 samples that seemed at
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ITEMS OF INTEREST.

According to the records at the Portland United States Weather Bureau, the year 1914 was 4.2 degrees colder than normal, while the precipitation for the year was 6.11 inches less than normal. Complete statistics for the year 1914 have not been compiled by the weather bureau officials, but the year was nearly 1,000 degrees colder than the year of 1913 when the excess of temperature amounted to 555 degrees.

Lowell's latest industry is the manufacture of bobbin stock, the L. W. Thompson mill having just been completed. This factory will make the square blocks from which finished bobbins are turned. The lumber used will be birch and maple, of which a large quantity has been secured. The blocks will be sold to the bobbin finishing factory in this city and similar establishments in other parts of New England. Operations will start at once and about thirty men will be employed.

Revenue cutters of the United States saved 477 lives and gave assistance to 210 vessels valued with their cargoes at more than \$4,000,000 during the fiscal year which ended June 30 last, according to a report to Congress by Commandant E. P. Berthoff. For every dollar expended by the service it added in saving property worth \$3.72.

Orders to fill all Maine ice houses to their capacity were received at Gardiner, Jan. 22. This will give employment to hundreds of men. The ice is about eight inches thick and the present cold weather will make it possible to begin operations at once.

At a dinner of the board of managers of the Portland Board of Trade Jan. 22, it was voted to take steps to organize a chamber of commerce for city which should include in its membership all of the different business men's associations of the city. It is expected that the new organization will be a membership of something like 3,000 men with an income approaching \$200,000.

The farmers of Maine expend annually approximately \$5,607,000 for farm labor, this representing outlay to 65 per cent of the farm owners or proprietors. This outlay has more than doubled in the last ten years, according to figures given out by the United States Department of Agriculture. Ten years ago, Maine farmers spent \$2,257,000 for labor, an increase in outlay for this purpose of 111 per cent. In the United States 47 per cent of the farmers hire labor, while in the Pine Tree State the percentage of farmers thus employing extra assistance is 67 per cent. The percentage has increased somewhat during the past ten years. Scientific principles of agriculture are doing much to develop the agricultural life of the State and the fact that the yield per acre in various crops has greatly increased is evidence of the success with which these improved principles are being applied. The farm laborer is a factor in securing larger returns, and there is great opportunity for profitable co-operation between farmer and farm worker.

In the future there will be but one Meant Reserve in New Hampshire. Washington has settled the question. Meant Reserve is in Warner, and the mountain known by the same name in Chatham is to be known hereafter as Meant Pequawket. This is the ruling of the United States Geographic Board.

Gardiner's loss by fire during the year was but \$3,252, and there were but 23 alarms, of which only 16 were general alarms. In all cases the department responded promptly, and to this fact is due in part the small amount of damage sustained. It is one of the lowest records for fires in many years.

The report of the commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries, covering the years 1913 and 1914, places the value of \$11,000,000 on the catch of fish in Maine for that period, and gives the

number employed in the industry as 5,537, while the total number of persons dependent on the industry is 50,000. When we consider that this is about 15 per cent of the entire population of Maine, some appreciation may be had of the importance of our fishing industry.

The Frost Family Association of America, descendants of Nicholas Frost, who settled in Kittery, in 1634; of Elder Edmund Frost of Cambridge, 1635; of George Frost of Winter Harbor, and William Frost of Oyster Bay, N. Y., held its 11th annual banquet at the Hotel Bellevue, Boston, last week, with a large attendance of members.

John B. Frost of Newburyport, president of the association, was toastmaster. Addresses covering various phases of the "Frost family history" were made by J. Frost of Belmont, Lloyd A. Frost of Cambridge, John L. Frost of Newtonville, and Rev. A. J. Eastman of Melrose. Wilbur B. Frost of Lynn and Miss Mary Frost of Nashua, N. H., gave readings.

At the annual meeting of the Maine Genealogical Society, the following officers were elected: President, Frederick O. Conant; vice presidents, Prof. George T. Little, Brunswick; Samuel C. Manley, Augusta; Waldo Pettegill, Rumford; John Mason, Bangor; Charles Thornton Libby, Portland; secretary, Leloy E. Tobe, Portland; treasurer, Earl C. Rugglett, Portland; librarian, Francis L. Littlefield, Portland; director, the president; secretary, treasurer, librarian, and Prof. George T. Little.

Officers of the Okanagan national forest in the state of Washington are installing powerful signal lanterns for night use in reporting fires from lookout peaks.

Floyd E. Morgan of Bryant's Pond, aged 29, is the recipient of a bronze medal for saving Charles A. Jacobs, aged 54, from drowning in Bryant's Pond, after a canoe had upset on Nov. 13, 1911.

SUNDAY RIVER.

Mrs. H. M. Kendall spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Spinney, on Grover Hill.

Mrs. H. H. Bailey and son, Bruce, are visiting Mr. Bailey's parents on Bear River.

Mrs. A. G. Eames and daughter, Alice, visited at C. D. Bean's, one day last week.

Parker Rayns is driving team for Lewis Spinney.

Gustav Littlefield passed through this place Friday, on his way to Portland.

Carroll Herrick is at work for Geo. Hobbs, cutting wood.

Eddie Austin had the misfortune to lose his gray horse, recently.

John Hausey, who has been used up with a severe attack of rheumatism, is able to be out a little now.

Chas. F. Morse has been ill for a few days past with jaundice.

Chas. Foster is cutting birch for Goss. Dunn.

STATE REGISTRATION FOR NURSES.

Now that state registration is the subject of prime importance to the Maine nurse, it seems fitting to state some of the advantages to the physician, the general public, and to the nurses themselves, of the proposed bill.

While registration hinders no one, however unskilled, from practising nursing, it does enable others who are fitted to take up branches of the work along higher lines in the many fields now rapidly opening up to the trained nurse.

It seems only right that the nurse who has endured the necessary deprivations and discipline of the regular training, and who has conformed to the requirements stated in the proposed bill, should have some method of distinction from the one who has not come up to the allotted standard.

Registration places the training schools on an educational basis, by maintaining a standard curriculum, which has now become necessary in order to be recognized by the Bureau of Education at Washington.

This recognition is necessary, for most of the desirable positions now open and ever increasing, are only available to the nurse who is a registered nurse.

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GOOD ADVICE.

For the purpose of advertising his shop a shopkeeper hung a large sign at the end of it. Late one night Perkins, who had been dining a bit too well, happened to see the sign. Going cautiously to the door he knocked gently.

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M. E. CHURCH NOTES.

Last Thursday evening at the Methodist vestry the Young Peoples' Society of the Church united for a joint installation of officers followed by a social. A good number of young people and invited guests were present and greatly enjoyed the program presented. The officers installed were as follows:

Y. M. C. L.—President, Clement Wood; vice president, Elwin Wilson; secretary V. P., Archie Buck; Secretary-treasurer, Lester Woolf; next secretary, John G. Anderson; devotional committee: H. E. Tyler; social committee, H. C. Chapman.

Loyal Workers—President, Hazel Arnold; vice president, Naomi Smith; secretary, Elsie Davis; treasurer, Edith Somerville; devotional committee, Lona Tibbets; social committee, Ermine Babideau; membership committee, Florence Springer; missionary committee, Mrs. Bertha Wheeler.

The Loyal Workers assisted by members of the Y. M. C. L. and others will give an entertainment at the Grange Hall on Thursday evening, February 4th, with the following program: Opening Selection, The "Elite" Orchestra, Vocal Music, Fan Drill, Music, Selected, Dramatic Sketch, "Her Busy Day," Cast of Characters.

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The sweepstakes class for drawing oxen was made open to the state, and the premiums increased to \$25, \$20, \$15 and \$10.

The statement of Wm. O. Frothingham, treasurer, shows total transactions of \$9,403, with cash now on hand \$231.92. The four large items of receipts are tickets, \$5,257.80; state premium, \$1,385.62; grounds, \$1,316.85; entrance, \$1,180.57. The two large items paid out are, premiums, \$5,137.05, repairs and improvements, \$1,451.06.

STUDENT LOSSES FROM HIGH SCHOOLS.

The students losses from secondary schools may be regarded as a matter of concern. Any examination of general statistics can only approximate actual conditions. Comparing the registration by classes, the figures show that the second year class is 23 per cent smaller than the first year class; the third year class is smaller by 22.2 per cent than the second; the fourth 20 per cent smaller than the third; while during the fourth year 4 per cent of the chums left school or failed to graduate.

The percentages show the approximate losses from year to year. Comparing these conditions with the best obtainable figures for the country at large, even this showing is favorable to the Maine high schools. For the United States as a whole, the first year high school class is 40.9 per cent of the total enrollment. For Maine, it represents 41 per cent. But the fourth year class of the country at large is only 13.5 per cent while the fourth year class for Maine comprises 15.6 per cent of the total enrollment in the high schools. In studying the losses for our schools, it is noted that between the first and second year a considerably larger number of boys than girls left school last year. Between the second and third year, the condition was reversed though the difference is less marked. In the last two years of the course, the losses of boys and girls are approximately the same. Secondary school attendance is often a hardship. Boys and girls of secondary school age begin to realize that they have attained wage earning capacity and the opportunity for individual gain is difficult to put aside in favor of the more remote, and, to them, less easily demonstrable value of an educational investment.

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We heard a young man remark last

FAIR PREMIUM LIST REVISSED.

A meeting of the trustees of the Oxford County Agricultural Society was held at the assessors' office at South Paris, Saturday, to make arrangements for this year's fair. The dates of the fair were fixed as Sept. 14, 15 and 16.

The two new trustees elected at the last annual meeting were assigned to duty. Chas. W. Bowler of South Paris will be superintendent of the hall, J. H. Carter of Bethel will be one of the superintendents of the cattle department. The other members of the board hold the same positions as for some years past.

The new regulation of dairy importance was adopted, that dairy stock must be on the grounds at 9 o'clock in the forenoon of the first day. This is on account of the judging, the growth of the fair having been such as to make it impossible to complete the scoring in one day, so it will begin in the forenoon of the first day.

A very few changes were made in the premium list. In the meat stock classes, breeds, an additional premium is given for year-olds, so that instead of a single class in that age there are now two, one for yearlings between 18 months and 2 years, and the other for yearlings under 18 months.

The Belted Dales are off the list, the only considerable number of them, the Penley herd, having been sold.

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A friend at our elbow suggests that the best way to head off the mail order houses is for the local merchant

to advertise liberally and get the trade themselves. It does look reasonable. All of the successful mail order houses are heavy advertisers and if they can make it pay why not the local merchant.

If every business man in our town could do business on a strictly cash system it would be a blessing to us all. If we all had to pay cash we would learn to live within our means.

It would save business men the expense of bookkeepers and the loss of bad debts all of which some one has to pay for. If our town could gradually work into a strictly cash system it would be better for us all.

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If you know or hear of an interesting item in the community, make it a point to see that it finds a place in your local paper. We should much appreciate your effort and will send our reporter to ascertain or verify any lacking points. Anything which tends to better or brighter the news service of a paper makes it of so much more value to the community, and the subscribers are the ones mostly benefited thereby.

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